

Applicants: De et al.
Application No.: 10/080,124

Amendments to Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 1. This sheet, which includes Figs. 1 and 3, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 1 and 3. In Fig. 1, the element name for elements 12 have been added.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

After the foregoing Amendment, Claims 1-106 are currently pending in this application. In the drawings, Figure 1 has been amended to add element names to unnamed elements, as requested in the Office Action.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 38-49, 74, 77, 79-80, 83, 85-86, 89 and 91 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 of copending Application No. 10/080,045 and claims 1, 5, 8-9, 13 and 16 of copending Application No. 10/080,099. Claims 75-76, 78, 80-82, 84, 87-88 and 90 are objected to, depending from claims rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection. The withdrawal of the double patenting rejection is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 1-37, 50-73 and 92-106 contain allowable subject matter.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1-106, is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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